

Monitoring of federal Job Training Partnership Act funds
(SCR 25 by Barrientos/Berlanga)

DIGEST: SCR 25 would have directed the Legislative Budget Board to coordinate with the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) Monitoring Committee to ensure full use of federal JTPA funds and to give JTPA dropout prevention programs priority when targeting unexpended funds.

GOVERNOR'S
REASON
FOR VETO:

While the JTPA Monitoring Committee has a valid role to play in providing input regarding JTPA programs to the State Job Training Coordinating Council, the Texas Department of Commerce and the Office of the Governor, that role is limited and does not extend to ensuring full use of, developing priorities for, or targeting recipients of unexpended JTPA funds."

RESPONSE:

A spokesman for Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, the author of SCR 25, said the veto would have no effect on the legislative intent to have two legislative bodies that are outside of executive branch perform oversight. The spokesman said the intent of the resolution was simply to ensure full use of unexpended JTPA funds.

NOTES:

SCR 25 passed the House on the Resolutions Calendar and was not analyzed in a Daily Floor Report.